

### Claims

- 5     **1**     A gambling card comprising:  
a first stage in which each player places an initial bet and is dealt a hand of a fixed  
number of cards and the dealer is dealt a single card;  
a second stage in which each player increases their initial bet by a multiple (within  
predetermined limits) chosen by the player in dependence on the hand dealt to  
10    them; and  
a third stage in which the dealer pays out on bets on hands for which any card in  
the hand matches the dealer's card in suit and exceeds it in value.
- 15    **2**     A game according to claim 1 played with a standard pack of playing cards  
and wherein the hands are 3-card hands.
- 3**     A game according to either previous claim wherein the dealer's card is  
discarded if it is above a certain value and another card dealt.
- 20    **4**     A game according to any previous claim wherein each player can make a  
further bet, at the same odds as said chosen multiple, if their hand consists wholly  
of court cards.
- 25    **5**     A game board (Fig. 1) for playing the game according to any previous  
claim.
- 6**     Apparatus for playing the game of any of claims 1 to 4, comprising a  
plurality of player units (40-1 to 40-n) which are coupled via a communication  
system (41) with a game playing system.

7       Apparatus according to claim 6 wherein the game playing system  
comprises an administration unit (42), a player register (43), and a game unit (45).

8       Apparatus according to either of claims 6 and 7 wherein the communication  
5       system (41) is the Internet.

9       Any feature of novelty or combination thereof within the meaning of  
Article 4H of the International Convention (Paris Convention).